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11. (SBU) Poloff conveyed reftel points on October 9 to Ministry of External Affairs Director for United Nations Political Division (MEA/UNP) Sanjay Rana, Joint Secretary Bhattacharjee's deputy on these issues. Rana said the UNP Division knew the USG had not supported or accepted the 2007 compromise text proposed by Greece.

12. (SBU) Poloff explained that the USG agrees with India's preference for the 2002 text and would support India's approach to add preambular language, but that we would prefer only a reference to the Global Counterterrorism Strategy rather than a direct quote that would include language regarding self-determination. Rana acknowledged our request and noted that if the USG accepts the 2002 text, by default the USG should accept the 2005 text as "the two are one and the same." He agreed to pass our message up and may contact us for clarification. Post is prepared to re-engage with Rana if Department wishes to provide necessary guidance.